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### REMARKS

Reconsideration of the Examiner's Amendment and entry of the Amendment After Allowance is respectfully requested. Applicant further seeks to correct typographical errors noted in the Examiner's Amendment before the applicant grants as a patent, particularly references to "MRE11", and "polynucleotide". No new matter has been added in this amendment.

#### Amendment to the Title

Applicant seeks to replace "MREI1" with the correct protein name "MRE11". Support for this amendment is found, for example, on page 1, line 30-31.

#### Amendment to the Abstract

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#### Amendments to the Claims

In the preamble of each of claims 19 and 20, Applicant seeks to re-insert the phrase "comprising a polynucleotide", which was deleted in the Examiner's Amendment. Support for this amendment is found in the claims as originally filed.

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### CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Examiner's Amendment and entry of the current amendment pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.312 is respectfully requested. If any requested amendment is not clear and/or acceptable, or if other amendment(s) are recommended, the Examiner with signatory authority is requested to telephone Applicant's representative.

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